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# Allocation of agenda items to the First Committee

## Letter dated 21 September 2007 from the President of the General Assembly to the Chairman of the First Committee

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith the decisions taken by the General Assembly at the 3rd plenary meeting of its sixty-second session, on 21 September 2007, pertaining to the allocation of items to the First Committee.

I wish to draw your attention to the recommendations on the organization of the session contained in section II of the report of the General Committee (A/62/250). Those recommendations were also approved by the General Assembly at its 3rd plenary meeting.

May I also draw your attention to the relevant parts of sections III and IV of the report concerning the agenda of the Main Committees.

I earnestly request your cooperation in these matters.

(*Signed*) Srgjan **Kerim**

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1. Election of the officers of the Main Committees [item 5].

### G. Disarmament

2. Reduction of military budgets [item 88]:
   (a) Reduction of military budgets;
   (b) Objective information on military matters, including transparency of military expenditures.
3. Implementation of the Declaration of the Indian Ocean as a Zone of Peace [item 89].
4. African Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone Treaty [item 90].
5. Consolidation of the regime established by the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean (Treaty of Tlatelolco) [item 91].
6. Review of the implementation of the Declaration on the Strengthening of International Security [item 92].
7. Developments in the field of information and telecommunications in the context of international security [item 93].
8. Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East [item 94].
9. Conclusion of effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons [item 95].
10. Prevention of an arms race in outer space [item 96].
11. Verification in all its aspects, including the role of the United Nations in the field of verification [item 97].
12. General and complete disarmament [item 98]:

    [The General Assembly decided that the relevant paragraphs of the annual report of the International Atomic Energy Agency (A/62/258), which is to be considered directly in plenary meetings under item 87, would be drawn to the attention of the First Committee in connection with its consideration of item 98.]

    (a) Notification of nuclear tests;
    (b) Further measures in the field of disarmament for the prevention of an arms race on the seabed and the ocean floor and in the subsoil thereof;
    (c) Prohibition of the dumping of radioactive wastes;
    (d) Follow-up to nuclear disarmament obligations agreed to at the 1995 and 2000 Review Conferences of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons;
    (e) Preventing the risk of radiological terrorism;

(f) Missiles;

(g) Convening of the fourth special session of the General Assembly devoted to disarmament;

(h) Promotion of multilateralism in the area of disarmament and non-proliferation;

(i) Observance of environmental norms in the drafting and implementation of agreements on disarmament and arms control;

(j) Relationship between disarmament and development;

(k) Towards a nuclear-weapon-free world: accelerating the implementation of nuclear disarmament commitments;

(l) The illicit trade in small arms and light weapons in all its aspects;

(m) Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction;

(n) Nuclear-weapon-free southern hemisphere and adjacent areas;

(o) Assistance to States for curbing the illicit traffic in small arms and light weapons and collecting them;

(p) Problems arising from the accumulation of conventional ammunition stockpiles in surplus;

(q) Transparency and confidence-building measures in outer space activities;

(r) Transparency in armaments;

(s) Nuclear disarmament;

(t) Regional disarmament;

(u) Confidence-building measures in the regional and subregional context;

(v) Conventional arms control at the regional and subregional levels;

(w) Follow-up to the advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice on the *Legality of the Threat or Use of Nuclear Weapons*;

(x) Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-personnel Mines and on Their Destruction;

(y) Reducing nuclear danger;

(z) Measures to prevent terrorists from acquiring weapons of mass destruction;

(aa) Towards an arms trade treaty: establishing common international standards for the import, export and transfer of conventional arms;

(bb) United Nations conference to identify ways of eliminating nuclear dangers in the context of nuclear disarmament.

13. Review and implementation of the Concluding Document of the Twelfth Special Session of the General Assembly [item 99]:

(a) United Nations regional centres for peace and disarmament;

(b) United Nations Regional Centre for Peace, Disarmament and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean;

(c) United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Africa;

(d) United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Asia and the Pacific;

(e) Regional confidence-building measures: activities of the United Nations Standing Advisory Committee on Security Questions in Central Africa;

(f) Convention on the Prohibition of the Use of Nuclear Weapons.

14. Review of the implementation of the recommendations and decisions adopted by the General Assembly at its tenth special session [item 100]:

(a) Report of the Disarmament Commission;

(b) Report of the Conference on Disarmament.

15. The risk of nuclear proliferation in the Middle East [item 101].

16. Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects [item 102].

17. Strengthening of security and cooperation in the Mediterranean region [item 103].

18. Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty [item 104].

19. Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction [item 105].

**I. Organizational, administrative and other matters**

20. Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly [item 121].

[The General Assembly decided to allocate item 121 also to all the Main Committees for the sole purpose of considering and taking action on their respective tentative programme of work.]

21. Programme planning [item 129].

[The General Assembly decided to allocate item 129 to all the Main Committees and the plenary of the General Assembly to enhance discussion of evaluation, planning, budgeting and monitoring reports.]